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SUBJECT: PRE-LICENSE CHECKS: ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS
INDUSTRIES, GANDI AVENUE - NO. 9 ELEVENTH STREET, TEHRAN,
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REF: TEHRAN'S 8980, DATED 10/12/77: OEA/CD INVESTIGATIVE
CASE 9(77)-4

1. WILLIAM D. POWELL, ATTORNEY IN FACT, ELECTRONIC COMPO-
NENTS INDUSTRIES OF IRAN, COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, APPLIED FOR
EXPORT LICENSES TO SHIP VARIOUS MACHINES AND EQUIPMENT,
TOTAL VALUE: 935,419 DOLLARS, TO SUBJECT FIRM.

2. INCLUDED ARE TWO LORLIN SEMICONDUCTOR TEST SYSTEMS
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(APPLICATION BEWT NO. A278508), SIX EACH DELTA DESIGN
MODEL 8085 INTEGRATED CIRCUIT ENVIRONMENTAL HANDLERS AND
MODEL 8082-92 HANDLERS, ACCESSORIES/SPARE PARTS (APPLICA-
TION BEWT NO. A278509), AND SEVENTEEN VARIOUS KULICKE
AND SOFFA DIE AND WIRE BONDERS (APPLICATION BEWT NOS.
A278507, A284712 AND A284713).
STATED END USE: MANUFACTURE OF ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS.

3. MILITARY INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATION, IRANIAN ELECTRONICS INDUSTRIES, P. O. BOX 66-1500, TEHRAN, IRAN SHOWN AS PURCHASER/INTERMEDIATE CONSIGNEE IN FOREIGN COUNTRY.

4. KULICKE AND SOFFA INDUSTRIES, INC., HORSHAM, PA., APPLIED FOR EXPORT LICENSE (BEWT NO. A281300) TO SHIP 900 CERAMIC CAPILLARIES, DIE COLLETS AND BONDING WEDGES, TOTAL VALUE:7,950 DOLLARS, TO SUBJECT FIRM. STATED END USE: RESEARCH AND/OR MANUFACTURE OF TRANSISTORS AND DIODES IN THE SEMICONDUCTOR FIELD.

5. IRANIAN MILITARY ORGANIZATION, IRANIAN ELECTRONICS INDUSTRIES, P. O. BOX 66-1500, TEHRAN SHOWN AS PURCHASER/INTERMEDIATE CONSIGNEE.

6. DELTA DESIGN, INC., SAN DIEGO, CALIF., APPLIED FOR EXPORT LICENSE (BEWT NO. A277893) TO SHIP SIX MODEL 8085 INTEGRATED CIRCUIT ENVIRONMENTAL HANDLERS (.3 MIL, 120 VAC, 60 HZ), SIX MODEL 8082, TO-92 TRANSISTOR ENVIRONMENTAL NAKED HANDLER (120 VAC, 60 HZ) AND SPARE DRUMS FOR BOTH MODELS, TOTAL VALUE:495,627 DOLLARS, TO SUBJECT FIRM. STATED END USE: INTEGRATED CIRCUITS HANDLING EQUIPMENT

7. CONSIGNEE/PURCHASER STATEMENT SIGNED BY KEYHAN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MOLAVI, MANAGING DIRECTOR SUBJECT FIRM, DATED AUGUST 9, 1977, SUPPORTS APPLICATION. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON STATEMENT INDICATES (QUOTE) THIS COMPANY IS WHOLLY OWNED BY THE IMPERIAL IRANIAN GOVERNMENT AND IS PART OF THE DEFENSE MINISTRY (UNQUOTE).

8. ZILOG, INC., CUPERTINO, CALIF., APPLIED FOR EXPORT LICENSE (BEWT NO. A275996) TO SHIP ONE DIGITAL COMPUTER, SPECIALLY DESIGNED PARTS AND ACCESSORIES, TOTAL VALUE: 15,910 DOLLARS, TO IRANIAN ELECTRONICS INDUSTRIES (I.E.I.), SHIRAZ, IRAN. (I.E.I.,TEHRAN, SHOWN AS PURCHASER.)

9. OEA TECHNICIAN WHO EXAMINED EXPORT APPLICATIONS COVERED BY THIS CABLE INDICATED THAT ZILOG COMPUTER APPARENTLY INTERFACES WITH LORLIN SYSTEMS MENTIONED ABOVE IN PARAGRAPH TWO. STATED END USE: FOR USE AS CAPITAL EQUIPMENT IN DATA PROCESSING.

10. CONSIGNEE/PURCHASER STATEMENT SIGNED BY. A. MAHMOODI, MATERIAL MANAGER, DATED AUGUST 15, 1977. THE NAME V. SARKISSIAN WAS ORIGINALLY SHOWN AS ULTIMATE CONSIGNEE BUT

WAS SCRATCHED OUT AND I.E.I. SUBSTITUTED.

END PART ONE

BEGIN PART TWO

11. OEA/CD CONTACTS WITH INDUSTRY EXPERTS HAVE RAISED QUESTIONS ABOUT ABOVE MENTIONED TRANSACTIONS IN THAT THEY ARE SKEPTICAL ABOUT SEMICONDUCTOR MARKET THAT MOWLAVI HOPE TO EXPLOIT WHEN SHIRAZ PLANT IS IN PRODUCTION.

12. DURING DISCUSSIONS WITH ONE U.S. FIRM, OFFICIALS BECAME SUSPICIOUS OF MOWLAVI'S CLAIM TO REPRESENT IRANIAN GOVERNMENT. REQUESTED TO SEE CREDENTIALS. INITIALLY MOWLAVI REFUSED TO COMPLY. LATER MOWLAVI BRIEFLY SHOWED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TO-WHOM-IT-MAY-CONCERN LETTER. CONTENTS QUOTED STATE'S 182818, DATED AUGUST 4, 1977.

13. FYI. IRANIAN EMBASSY HERE CONTACTED TO DISPEL SUSPICIONS RE MOWLAVI. NEITHER COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR NOR AMBASSADOR ZAHEDI KNEW OF MOWLAVI, HIS MISSION IN U.S. OR PROPOSED SEMICONDUCTOR PROJECT IN IRAN. END FYI.

ACTION REQUESTED:

14. CONSIDERING POTENTIAL DAMAGE TO U.S. NATIONAL SECURITY IF STRATEGIC-RATED GOODS ILLEGALLY DIVERTED AND TECHNOLOGY ILLEGALLY TRANSFERRED, NOT TO MENTION EMBARRAS-
SMENT TO GOI, IT IS STRONGLY SUGGESTED THAT ADMIRAL A. ARDALAN BE CONTACTED DIRECTLY.

15. QUESTIONS SHOULD INCLUDE WHETHER SHIRAZ PLANT BEING WHOLLY FUNDED BY GOI. IF NOT, OBTAIN IDENTITY(IES) OF OTHER PARTY(IES) WHO WILL ALSO HOLD TITLE TO EQUIPMENT, WHAT OTHER U.S.-ORIGIN EQUIPMENT WILL BE PURCHASED? REQUEST NAMES/MODEL NUMBERS OF SUCH EQUIPMENT. ALSO, WHO WILL HAVE ACCESS TO PLANT?

16. WARNER J. BROCKHAUSEN (PHOENETIC), WEST GERMAN NATIONAL WITH ADDRESS IN DUSSELDORF (KEO-CENTER, D-4) AND MARINA DEL RAY, CALIFORNIA, ALLEGEDLY FUNDING PURCHASE SOME EQUIPMENT SHIRAZ FACILITY.

17. OEA/CD UNDERSTANDS THAT IF ABOVE-MENTIONED EQUIPMENT LICENSED, THEN NEXT ROUND OF PURCHASES WILL INCLUDE

HIGH VALUE/HIGH TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURED BY GCA/D.W. MANN, BURLINGTON, MASS. AND MACRODATA CORP.,
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WOODLAND HILLS, CALIF. OEA/CD INVESTIGATIONS DISCLOSED
ILLEGAL DIVERSIONS TO SOVIETS VIA FREE-WORLD PARTIES
OF BOTH MACRODATA AND GCA SYSTEMS. SHIPMENTS LICENSED
ON BASIS EQUIPMENT DESTINED FOR FREE WORLD CONSIGNEES
PURCHASING FOR EITHER GOVERNMENT PLANT OR PLANT ENGAGED
IN FILLING GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS. POST-SHIPMENT CHECKS
DISCLOSED ILLEGAL DIVERSIONS.

18. CURRENT INVESTIGATION DISCLOSED SITUATION WHERE
SOVIETS PURCHASED EQUIPMENT THROUGH FREE WORLD FIRM.
SOVIETS APPEARED WILLING TO ALLOW IT TO REMAIN IN FREE
WORLD FOR TWO YEAR PERIOD FOR USE/TRAINING PRIOR TO
DELIVERY TO USSR. ILLEGAL TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS COULD
OCCUR PRESENT SITUATION IF SOVIET TECHNICIANS HAD
VISITING RIGHTS TO SHIRAZ PLANT FOR SURREPTITIOUS
TRAINING. VANCE

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